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Regarding the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated February 11, 2005, in which the Amendments to the Claims were objected to because the claims in the amendment did not contain the proper individual status identifier. Enclosed is the amended Section "Amendments to the Claims" with each of the claims showing the proper identifier as requested by the Examiner.

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Applicants have now made an earnest attempt in order to place this case in condition for allowance. For the reasons stated above, Applicants respectfully request full allowance of the claims as amended. Please charge any additional fees or deficiencies in fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 20-0780/NEXQ-24,727 of HOWISON & ARNOTT, L.L.P.

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